

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

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On page 1, before paragraph [0003], insert: --Background--.

On page 2, before paragraph [0007], insert: --Summary of the Invention--.

On page 9, before paragraph [0032], insert: --Brief Description of the Figures--.

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IN THE CLAIMS:

Cancel claims 1-15 without prejudice.

Add new claims 16-32.

16. (New) An industrial controller comprising a plurality of devices, for use in controlling a system including a plurality of components, the controller comprising:

- a) control means independent of the controlled components; and
- b) component control means relating to the controlled components for supplementing the control means, the component control means implemented using a plurality of technology objects corresponding to the components, the technology objects distributable on the devices.

17. (New) An industrial controller according to claim 16, further comprising automatically generated communications links between at least two of the technology objects.

18. (New) An industrial controller according to claim 16, wherein technology objects comprise attributes taken into account in the generation of the communications links.

19. (New) An industrial controller according to claim 16, wherein technology objects are distributable on a plurality of devices within a project, the project relating to plurality of control units.